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List of Members of the Central Bodies of the Lao Dong Party of North Viet Nam

1. Attached is a list of members of the central bodies of the Lao Dong Party of North Viet Nam, compiled from overt sources, including North Vietnamese radio broadcasts and newspapers, the Chinese Communist news service, and the Cominform Journal. Beside each name is the source and date of the latest identification of the named individual's party position.

2. With few exceptions public identification of membership in the top organs of the Lao Dong Party has been made only since the beginning of 1956. Prior to that, key party personalities were, when mentioned, identified by their government or other non-party office, and not by their party position.

3. By comparison with other Communist parties, the known membership of the Lao Dong Party's central bodies is quite small. Consequently it is presumed that all of the members of these bodies have not been identified, and that the listing attached is not the complete membership. In addition, still remaining officially unidentified is the membership of the various departments of the Central Committee, and the members of the Secretariat.

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